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SUBJ: 56TH ECOSOC--CONSIDERATION OF DRUG CONTROL ITEM

1. SUMMARY: 56TH ECOSOC CONCLUDED DAY AND A HALF SESSION ON DRUG CONTROL AFTER HEARING SPEECHES BY DR. STEN MARTENS, DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS AND ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE UN FUND FOR DRUG ABUSE CONTROL (UNFDAC), SIR HARRY GREENFIELD, RETIRING PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL BOARD (INCB), AND 22 GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES AND REPS OF 2 INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS ON THE SUBJECT OF DURG CONTROL. ALTHOUGH LITTLE NEW INFORMATION ON THE SUBJECT WAS ADDUCED DURING THIS SESSION, THE SPEECHES MANIFESTED CONTINUED INTERNATIONAL CONCERN WITH THE PROBLEM OF DRUG ABUSE. THE RES OFFERED BY THE US AND COSPONSORED BY 9 OTHER DELS COMPLIMENTING THEINCB ON ITS REPORT FOR 1973 WAS APPROVED BY CONSENSUS. RESES RECOMMENDED TO ECOSOC BY COMMISSION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS (CND) ADOPTED WITH SOME AMENDMENTS. ECOSOC APPROVED CND REPORT FOR 1974. END SUMMARY.

2. DR. MARTENS PRESENTED REPORT ON THIRD SPECIAL SESSION OF CND AND UPDATE OF UNFDAC ACTIVITIES. SPEECH STRESSED NECESSITY FOR UNCLASSIFIED

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ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFDAC TO ENABLE IT TO PLAN AND

LAUNCH FURTHER PROGRAMS, ESPECIALLY COUNTRY PROGRAMS INCLUDING CROP SUBSTITUTION ELEMENTS.

3. SIR HARRY GREENFIELD DELIVERED EXCELLENT VALIDICTORY SPEECH STRESSING FAVORABLE AND UNFAVORABLE ELEMENTS CURRENT DURG CONTROL SCENE, AND DESCRIBED ACHIEVEMENTS OF VISITS BY INCB REPRESENTATIVE TO PROBLEM AREAS.

4. US DRAFT RES ON REPORT OF INCB ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS, AS WAS ECOSOC ACCEPTANCE OF CND REPORT OF THIRD SPECIAL SESSION, AND DRAFT RES ON CULTIVATION AND CHEWING OF COCOA LEAF.

5. DRAFT RES ON ABUSE OF CUSTOMS, TRANSIT SYSTEMS BY DRUG SMUGGLERS ADOPTED BY A VOTE OF 35-(US)-0-6.

6. CND DRAFT RES ON COOPERATION FOR DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT IN THE FAR EAST REGION WAS AMENDED BY CONSENSUS AT THE SUGGESTION OF UK TO INCLUDE SUBSISTENCE AS WELL AS TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR PARTICIPANTS IN REGIONAL MEETINGS TO BE BORNE BY UNFDAC. RES AS AMENDED ADOPTED BY 38-(US)-0-5.

7. DRAFT RES ON PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES ADOPTED 34-(US)-0-9.

8. DRAFT RES ON PERIODICITY WAS AMENDED IN FOUR PROVISIONS. FIRST AMENDMENT, IN OP PARA 1, SUBSTITUTES TERM "AS NECESSARY" FOR TERM "FOR THE DURATION OF THE CURRENT EMERGENCY." SECOND AMENDMENT TO OP PARA 2 DELETES THE WORDS FOLLOWING "THE COMMISSION" AND INSERTS "SHOULD CONSIDER, AT ITS REGULAR SESSION SCHEUDLED FOR 1975, WHETHER TO MEET IN SPECIAL SESSION FOR TWO WEEKS IN 1976." REMAINING AMENDMENTS DELETE OP PARAS 3 AND 4. EFFECT OF AMENDMENTS WAS TO LEAVE UNTIL NEXT YEAR'S MEETINGS OF CND AND ECOSOC TO DETERMINE WHETHER SPECIAL SESSION CND TO BE HELD 1976. AMENDED RES ADOPTED 41(US)-0-3.

9. COMMENT: GENERAL TONE OF SPEECHES INDICATED CONTINUED CONCERN ABOUT WORLD DRUG CONTROL SITUATION AND MANIFESTED INTENT SUPPORT INTERNATIONAL ACTION AGAINST DRUGS OF ABUSE. END COMMENT.
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